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## SENIORS TAKE OFF FOR COLLEGE



Last summer Bill Hickerson was named Chairman of the Youth Department of the March of Dimes for Tennessee and Davidson County. In August Bill went to Massachusetts for a week of orientation. There he saw first hand that people afflicted with birth defects could and should become useful citizens.

As Chairman of the Youth Department in Tennessee Bill is trying first of all to make the problem of birth defects known to the community, and then to recruit the youth to help in the March of Dimes Program. The recent Marchathon, in which approximately 1,500 people marched, is proof of Bill's success.

### LIST OF SENIOR COLLEGE CHOICES

#### Vanderbilt—21

Bill Ambrose  
Hunter Armistead  
Steve Brown  
Alex Buchanan  
Dan Buttery  
West Crafton  
Cayce Fuqua  
Bill Jewell  
Phillip Jones  
Brant Lipscomb  
Ben Mabry  
Walter Marianelli  
Teddy McCauley  
Bob Murphy  
Tommy Parrish  
Ed Pirtle  
John Sawyer  
Mark Shephard  
Brock Stevenson  
Bill Summers  
Jim Norton

#### University of Virginia—4

Jimbo McKee  
Bill Peerman  
Larry Schull  
Tee Zerfoss

#### University of Tennessee—2

Bill Hickerson  
David Page

#### University of the South—5

John Haggard  
Rodney Kochitzky  
Tad McWhirter  
Craig Sargent  
Charlie Morrison

#### Auburn—3

Doug Anderson  
Jimmy Regan  
Mitch Garriott

#### University of North Carolina—5

Charlie Bond  
Mac Harrell  
Sam Rutherford  
Wade Sutton  
Robert Thomson  
Tom Harris, Centre  
Chris Berry  
Sonny Bodo

#### Northwestern—2

John Cheadle  
Gep Nelson

#### Southern Methodist University—3

Bill Bounds  
Harold Crump  
Jim Friedman

#### Mercer—2

Jon Foley  
Bill Moore

#### Georgia Tech—2

David Isenhour  
Larry Trabue

#### Others

Bill Anderson, Florida Southern  
Rick Bramham, Colorado State  
Walter Campbell, Tulane  
Dick Collins, Princeton  
Tom Harris, Centre  
David Mack, Notre Dame  
Tom Neff, Lawrence University  
Frank Purdy, Colorado College  
Dan Mann, University of Washington (Seattle)  
Jamie Stiffler, Washington University

Paul Vix, Memphis State University

Alan Wright, University of Pennsylvania  
Kyle Young, Kenyon

#### Selectivity

(According to James Cass and Max Birnbaum, *Comparative Guide to American Colleges*)

Most Selective—3

Highly Selective—9

Very Selective—39

Selective—6

Unclassified—5

Regional Geographic Distribution  
Nashville (Vanderbilt)—21  
Tennessee (excluding Nashville)—9

South (excluding Tennessee)—21

Northeast—4

Midwest—6

West—3

The sixty-four seniors have chosen 24 different schools for next year. As in the past several years, almost one-third of the class will attend Vanderbilt.

Nine seniors will attend either the University of North Carolina or the University of Virginia, the two most selective Southern state universities. Surprisingly, no seniors will attend Birmingham-Southern, which drew six students from the class of 1970. Like last year, only a few seniors will attend Tennessee after large groups, ten and eleven respectively, selected it in 1968 and 1969.

This year the trend seems to be to attend schools in groups of two or three rather than alone. This tendency may ease the loneliness of the freshman year for some boys next year.

## Stadium Dedicated to MBA Alumnus

Dave Jessup had two bad knees, but they were unable to keep him down. David seemed to have been inseparable from baseball and a burning desire to make friends. He transferred to MBA for his Senior year, and was impressed by the atmosphere of scholarship and Mr. Carter's ideals—Christian gentility.

Later graduating from Vanderbilt, Dave took a job as an engineer affiliated with the Navy in Vietnam, where he used his French to facilitate dealings with the Vietnamese.

In Vietnam, he was stricken by a contrast between American affluence and Christianity, and oriental conditions: first, and possibly because of the continued warfare, cruelty was a part of daily life; second, the not-so-affluent Vietnamese often undergo 18 hours a day at work. Besides these behavioral differences, there was an exotic or possibly primitive quality in morality and decency, which even as a part of war was hard to accept.

On his first return from Vietnam, Dave Jessup was critical of United States involvement in such a decrepit enterprise; but as he became more familiar with the war, he became more patriotic. He came home again later, proud of "the humanness of the Americans in Vietnam," "brave men doing the best they could." He claimed that critics were generally "unjustified, because we don't know what's going on in Vietnam."



This baseball stadium in Saigon was named in memory of David Jessup, by his fellow engineers. Mr. Jessup died Nov. 25 of infectious hepatitis.

So Dave's reaction to the war overcame his doubts, finally emerging with a constructive attitude. He described his time in Vietnam as producing "24 months of friends" who dedicated a baseball stadium in his memory.

David Jessup once won a trophy for batting .782 in baseball, but he gave up his eligibility

to come to MBA. What he is remembered for is not talent; it is attitude. One very important lesson he learned from bad knees: In the face of an unavoidable discomfort, one may often wait until the discomfort has passed and then laugh. Another lesson from the war: In the face of avoidable suffering, a man, especially if he is privileged, should seek to aid his fellow man.

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## SPORTS SPECIAL ON PAGE SEVEN

## DEBATE TRIUMPHS

This year the MBA forensics team will be sending a debate team to the national tournament, to be held at Stanford, California. Charlie Bond and Dick Collins will represent MBA and all schools from Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississippi.

They qualified by taking first place at the National Forensic League District Tournament at Overton. In dominating the debate, MBA also won second place with the team of Chris Berry and Marc McNamee.

At the conclusion of her best forensic year ever, Mrs. Ridgway, the debate coach, is pleased with

next year's prospects: Marc McNamee and Bert Mathews will provide the necessary debate experience; Carter Andrews should excel in original oratory and extemporaneous speaking.

Webb Earthman, John Brooks, Gary Barkley, and John Bow, all of whom won at least one tournament this year, will also be debating on next year's topic—court reform.

Much thanks must go to the MBA Ladies' auxiliary, whose Sponsorship of the Forensics Club is, in large part, responsible for participation in a wide variety of tournaments.



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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### APATHY ON THE HILL

The indifference of many students toward their studies and their schools is a major problem in the high schools of today. Formerly, students showed greater interest in these areas during their high school years. They seemed to have a keen pride in the school and its affairs. Has M.B.A. experienced this indifference; does apathy exist on The Hill?

High academic standards are developed because of a sense of achievement, an achievement gained in competition with others. In recent years, however, there are an increasing number of students who feel not an aspiration towards excellence and achievement, but a satisfaction in "getting by" with as little work as possible. Why? The seventh grade student enters M.B.A. with an interested, easily influenced spirit. Unfortunately, by the eighth grade, he begins to set and accept a basic amount of work for himself, relative to the work of his peers and his own concerns. The students present this amount of work as their best. They have no real desire to achieve because the school does not expand their interests. M.B.A. has become a set standard with the grade and ultimately college as the goal.

The student does want to get involved, and only a portion of the students are involved in the activities of the school and have developed a pride in their accomplishments. M.B.A. does not emphasize enough areas besides athletics for a student to expand himself. Every student should be in contact with the Student Council with which he presently has little relation. With better Student Council-student relations, the students would share in forming the policies and workings of the school and would develop a pride in the school. This interest with school would replace some of the apathy among a great many of the students. Also this involvement would give them a more complete education.

Athletics are important; however, the interest in sporting events cannot be the paramount of the students' involvement. To replace the general apathy, a student must have interest in his studies and in his activities. Renewed emphasis should be placed on drama, debate, forensics, art, and on areas in which interest in values is developed rather than complete interest in the almighty grade.

In recent years at M.B.A., the drama department has grown under Terry Holcomb. This department, although somewhat limited this year, is very effective and creates great interest among the students. Art Lab is enjoyed by the participating students and has produced several fine artists, yet the school has still to develop a large enough program for wide-scale participation by the student body. Debate and forensics are not considered by the average student, but the department fields a fine team under Mrs. Ridgeway. M.B.A. is a small enough school to develop interest in these and other areas, but it has established as one of its primary goals competition with much larger schools in athletics.

What I am trying to say by all this—if you have bothered to read to the end—is that the students of my class want to be involved. The apathy and lack of pride is not basically our fault, but is that of the school which unconsciously has failed to expand our interest.

I am a proponent of a more involved Student Council; I see this as the most effective means to establish greater interest in the school by the students. The renewed involvement of the student in partially academic areas would be beneficial to the school in eliminating much of the apathy of the student body, renewing pride in the school, and making a better-rounded individual, which is a basic objective of any school.

By Andy Byrd

## HOLCOMB ENDS BRILLIANT CAREER



Terry Holcomb takes last bow from MBA stage amidst genuine appreciation from students.

#### Devil and Daniel Webster

By Carter Andrews  
The MBA-Harpeth Hall drama club opened *The Devil and Daniel Webster* in assembly Friday, May 7, and performed it again that evening. Mr. Holcomb, who will go to Memphis next year, ended his career at MBA, directing the third play this year.

The presentation of the coveted "Terry Awards" that night honored many talented actors and actresses, but the most deserved award went to Mr. Holcomb, whose kindness to everyone he worked with will always be remembered.

The technical aspect of the

production was very complicated, and John Van Volkenburgh and Mike Moynihan along with a few other workers spent many hours of work perfecting the elaborate set, the lighting, and many special effects, while John Haggard handled a very complex sound system.

Hank Brooks made a very believable devil. Clive Sell, as Daniel Webster, and Christie McClure, as Mary Stone, crusaded to help Tom Neff, who played Jabez Stone, save his soul from the devil.

*The Devil and Daniel Webster* marked the end of a great era in MBA drama.

#### Our Town

By Carter Andrews

A week before spring vacation, MBA students' attention, momentarily turned away from Florida, focused on a production of *Our Town* at Harpeth Hall by the combined MBA and Harpeth Hall drama clubs.

The show, under the expert direction of Mrs. Williams and Mr. Holcomb, played to a full house on two consecutive nights. The countless hours of rehearsal for the play were evident, both of the performances being nearly flawless.

A missed cue on the second night caused great alarm to the cast and crew. Mr. Holcomb, playing the part of the stage manager, covered up the mistake perfectly by giving the audience details about Doc Gibbs' love life that Thornton Wilder, the playwright, did not intend to expose.

The cast was exceptionally large, with Mr. Holcomb, Tom Neff, Amy Swartzbaugh, Clive Sell, Mary Lee Gibson, Brock Stevenson, and Susan Shoulders playing the leading roles, and many other fine actors and actresses appearing on stage. John VanVolkenburgh and Mike Moynihan were the two technical directors, with John Haggard handling the sound and many other people helping with the technical work.

Drama productions at MBA are traditionally top-notch. *Our Town* certainly upheld this tradition.

### REPRESENTATION

To the Editor,

In the recent election of new class officers, I was totally enraged by the atmosphere and attitude of the students. The elections seemed like a big joke. Candidates that had already been officers (and who had done absolutely nothing in these offices) were nominated and voted for, without a general discussion of the person. These people were blindly nominated, without even scrutinizing their qualifications. Others were nominated and elected by their influence in a fraternity, Delta Sig as an example, or by pressure on independent students. No effort was made to discuss the candidates and to get an outlook of the candidates' ambitions and attitudes.

I strongly suggest that the Student Council amend its constitution to make the election fair and meaningful. I suggest they amend the charter by adding some kind of impeachment clause for those students who might grow weary of their offices. I also suggest some kind of amendment to protect the rights of the independent and minority groups, and to establish specific numbers for quorum. I hope a change in the charter will help the outlook of next year's elections. We need a change for the better.

Signed: Harry Steck



Stevenson gives Neff the facts of life (*Our Town*)

### ART: TALENT AND APPRECIATION

By Buck Cole

Next year drastic changes will occur in the art program. The school will offer an advanced placement course both in Art History and Art Lab.

Art History, open to all students in grades 10-12, will meet three times a week for two years. After two years the student will be eligible for the A.P. exam and receive 6/5 of a credit. Most colleges like Vanderbilt will consider the course as any other advanced placement course, and credit will be given according to their own standards. The first year will study Ancient, Medieval, and Renaissance art. The second year will cover the 17th through 20th centuries, Oriental Art, and a great deal of aesthetics in preparation for the A.P. exam. Some students may be able to pass the exam after one year.

Art lab students will be eligible for A.P. credit by showing a portfolio of their work and by working specific problems prescribed by the advanced placement program. This will be offered to all 3rd and 4th year Art lab students.

Yet, next year there will be no Art lab unless lab space is found on campus. The Fine Department has decided that Art lab cannot continue in the attic of Vine Street Christian Church. Mrs. LeQuire, the one-man M.B.A. art program, feels that the boys here need an avenue of expression for their creativity. She also hopes to obtain a lab which could handle experimentation into different media, especially those more appealing to boys. In addition to having more space for sculpture, she hopes to acquire facilities for print-making and ceramics.

These efforts would be rewarding, in her words, since "M.B.A. has the most creative boys I've encountered at any high school because, although many people don't realize it, creativity and intelligence go together."

DAVE JESSUP

(from page one)

Most of us never met David Jessup, yet in the brief details of his story there is a spirit—MBA can be proud to claim him as a former student, if for only one year.

### NEW OFFICERS

Student Council	
President .....	Buck Cole
Vice-president .....	Bill Freeman
Secretary .....	Robert Ramsey
Treasurer .....	Clay Stephens
Juniors	
President .....	Morgan Entrekin
Vice-president .....	Sam Fentress
Secretary .....	Rick Ownbey
Treasurer .....	Jimmy Milam
Sophomores	
President .....	Scott Babin
Vice-president .....	Larry Weick
Secretary .....	Hill Granbery
Treasurer .....	David Benneyworth

### Honor Council

President ..... Frank Floyd  
Vice-president Tom Gildemeister  
Secretary ..... John Pickens  
Treasurer ..... Damon Regen

Juniors ..... Garrison Joe Collier  
Sophomores ..... Tim Vaughn Marc Stengel  
Brock Baker



# FACES CHANGE ON HILL



Three rough characters—Terry, Coach, and Baby Bertha.

**Mr. Holcomb**  
By Chase Cole and Ken Quillen  
"My years at MBA have been the most exciting years of my life." With these words Mr. Terry Holcomb departs from MBA. In his three years at MBA, Mr. Holcomb has taught freshman and sophomore English and drama and directed numerous plays.

Mr. Holcomb graduated from Overton High School and Vanderbilt University where he earned his B.A. in drama. He

plans to further his education at Memphis State University while teaching introduction to theater to under-graduate students.

Mr. Holcomb hopes that the drama program at MBA will continue to improve in his absence. Under his guidance, the Drama Club has made great progress in the last three years, as evidenced by the school's collection of lighting equipment and a \$250 bank balance.

Mr. Holcomb has no personal

**Mr. Riggins**

By Chase Cole and Ken Quillen  
Mr. John Riggins is leaving MBA in the pursuit of his personal fortune after 5 years of service to the school and students.

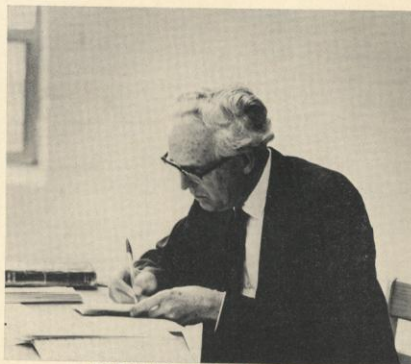
He has developed the wrestling program at MBA to a substantial extent and has broadened student interest in the sport. In regard to the future of the wrestling program, Mr. Riggins feels that there is still a lot to be done. For instance, he hopes that a Junior Varsity wrestling program can be initiated at MBA.

Mr. Riggins received his B.A. from the University of the South and attained some credit towards his Master's degree at the University of North Carolina. Mr. Riggins is an active member of the Sierra Club and has strong convictions concerning the preservation of our environment.

Mr. Riggins' primary motive for leaving the teaching profession is a financial one. He has several financial opportunities, including one offer to be a stock broker. Also, Mr. Riggins feels that there is no chance for his advancement as a teacher as far as administrative responsibilities are concerned. When asked for comments on his stay at MBA, Mr. Riggins said, "MBA is very successful in placing boys in colleges, of their choice, and that is to be admired, but I do regret the way in which MBA seems to discourage creativity and originality among its students."

Mr. Riggins will be replaced by Mr. Ridgway and Mr. Drake, who will teach his history classes. Several applications have been submitted for his vacated position as wrestling coach.

interest in the professional theater, and he stresses that "education is my field, drama is my specialty." His feeling about MBA and its students are best expressed in his own words: "My ambition is to be able to say at the age of 70, that I am as enthusiastic and excited about my students as I am now."



Mr. Rules balances books before he goes.

**Rule Retirement**

By Buck Cole

This year after twenty-six and a half years of service to MBA, Mr. James C. Rule is retiring. During these years, he has had many responsibilities, serving as principal of the high school, head of the math department, coach of the tennis team, advisor of the newspaper, and director of the glee club.

He began teaching math here at the mid-term of the '43-44 school year under headmaster Howard Allen. Only Mrs. Lowry remains on the faculty from that year.

In his early years here Mr. Rule founded the first MBA newspaper and the first glee club. Besides originating the paper, he named it the Bell-Ringer. Among his first editors was the novelist Jesse Hill Ford, of *Liberation of Lord Byron Jones* fame.

At the request of the headmaster and the board of trustees, Mr. Rule researched and wrote the *History of Montgomery Bell Academy*.

He served as tennis coach from the '44-45 season until the '66-'67 season. Under the tutelage of Mr. Rule, MBA was the mid-state

tennis power. His teams had a phenomenal record, winning 23 of 24 city championships and four state championships.

Outside of school, Mr. Rule established an outstanding reputation as a country-and-western songwriter, author of "Alleycat" and other hits.

He began writing soon after coming to Nashville. Since then he has written between 500 and 1000 songs, having between 100 and 200 of them recorded.

Several of his songs made the top ten in country hit list and have been recorded by performers such as Burl Ives, Eddy Arnold, Jimmy Dean and Jimmy Dickens.

The income from these songs, in his words, "enabled me to stay in school teaching which I loved." After retirement Mr. Rule plans to continue writing, some children's albums particularly, and to enjoy "the good life."

For his many contributions to MBA, he was tapped for Totomoi. Mr. Rule has been an important leader on the Hill for over a quarter of a century—and his influence will no doubt be felt for many years after his departure.

## Matthews to Coach

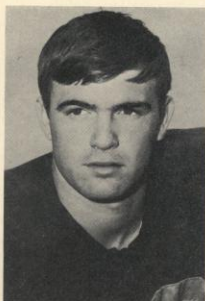
**Doug Matthews**

New head football coach Ray Ridgway has announced the addition of former Vanderbilt standout Doug Matthews to the MBA coaching staff.

He will assume the coaching duties formerly handled by Head Coach Tommy Owen, who now serves as a Vanderbilt assistant; he will be in charge of the defensive secondary and will assist Coach Ridgway with the offensive backs and receivers.

Matthews' gridiron career with the Commodores included experience on both offense and defense. During his junior year he sparked at defensive safety. Moving to the offensive side as a senior, tailback Matthews was the 1969 Southeastern Conference rushing leader.

A native of Pitcher, Oklahoma, he played for Northeast Oklahoma Junior College before coming to Vanderbilt. As a Junior College All-American quarterback, he was the object of a vigorous recruiting war, eventually won by Vanderbilt's Coach Bill Pace, who also hails from Pitcher.



Doug Matthews, who will replace Coach Tommy Owen.

History major Matthews will graduate from Vanderbilt this summer. His summer plans include work at Bill Pace's football camp.

## New Editors Selected

In late April, newspaper sponsors Mr. Turner and Mr. Edson and annual sponsor Mrs. Carter selected the editors-in-chief of the *Bell Ringer* and *The Bell* for the school year 1971-72. Arthur Hiller will serve as editor-in-chief of *The Bell*, and Buck Cole as editor-in-chief for the *Bell Ringer*.

Carter Andrews will serve as the business manager for both publications. The staff editors for *The Bell* are the following:

Organizations editor: Bert Matthews  
Classes editor: Chase Cole  
Sports editor: Hal Justice  
Photography editor: David

Small

According to Arthur Hiller, "the 1971-72 annual will be a completely new concept in MBA annuals. The traditional, stereotyped layout will be changed to offer not only an annual with a different appearance but a more interesting one. There will be a considerable amount of color, special effects, and an emphasis on the spirit of MBA."

*The Bell Ringer* will have the following staff editors:

News editors: Rick Owenby  
Webb Earthman  
Sports editor: Whit Holcomb  
Features editor: Tom Gilmeister

Special feature editor: Jim Overton  
Entertainment editor: Chase Cole

Copy editor: Clay Jackson  
Circulation editor: Phil Lee  
Layout editor: Bert Matthews  
Photography editor: Arthur Hiller

The paper next year, Cole says, will have a greater emphasis on factual features and news articles rather than on "humor and fantasy." Other new developments should be features on alumni, interest in off-campus events and personalities, more pictures, and a special feature page in each paper.

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# Senior tea sippers to take leave!

Name	Nick Name	Where Found	Ambition	Latent Fear	Heard Saying
Bill Ambrose	Willy	the loft	to be chief of police	mace in the face	i swear, i go to school here.
Bill Anderson	Ratsy Molinsky	at the farmhouse	to get something published	being on chris' uncle's list	aw dad, be realistic.
Doug Anderson	Dirty Doug	at ed's apartment	to be a jet pilot	blown engine	say, margie, when do you get off work?
Hunter Armistead	Curley	in mrs. l's good graces	to be a cabbie	forgetting to start his meter	mrs. lowry, what's the imagery in mary had a little lamb?
Chris Berry	Twit	asleep in class	exemption in french	debating debbie jensen	oh, leslie, leslie, leslie. . .
Sonny Bodo	Sandor	on his motor, hair wind-blown	not cutting his moustache	flies in his teeth	is your mind cold to the touch?
Charlie Bond	Cheese, Killer Molinsky	locker room	to destroy his pink card	girl smarter than he	I was in the theatre, when all the sudden. . .
Bill Bounds	Outta	with dave, rt, and the gang	to go to college with anderson	dianne peterson	hey quillen, can i borrow what's-her-name this week end?
Rick Bramham	Calvin	under the stars with an ephemeris	for mrs. l not to call him his brother	warped records	my head, it's burning!
Steve Brown	Beau Frab	at home, during school	to graduate in <i>absentia</i>	a five day week	those east girls are sure fine
Alex Buchanan	Salex	wrestling at clive's	find way out of cave	being caught by bear	me and tubby. . .
Dan Buttrey	Butch	in carol's dad's shirt	an unchaperoned tennis trip	a warped racket	i don't want to give any hints, but study. . .
Walter Campbell	Gautier Steed	flanagan's or coke and council	more from atlanta, ga.	rednecks	hey, luke, fixing to hose down your truck?
John Cheadle	Roates, the Muggle man	on his water bed	to be a construction foreman	hollins, work, and a leak	you wouldn't know her anyway.
Dick Collins	Dickard Tricky Dick	conference room b	to be a free man, proud swimmer	going wild at princeton	well paradoxically, ironically, i conversely contend. . .
West Crafton	Western Draino	wouldn't you like to know?	to be king of the kegs	the boys in williamson co.	i was with the madonna.
Harold Crump	Ummagumma Mr. RD	at concerts with his pants around his head	to spread the seeds of anarchy	miss fat honey	fur out, man
Jon Foley	Honest Jon John J	eighth period study hall	the presidency (of the world)	parents who check trashcans	careful, that thing has a hair trigger!
Jim Friedman	Crash	soccer field	to walk down a country road	prunes (4 'nuff? 6 too many?)	feets, don't fail me now!
Cayce Fuqua	Monsieur Few-Quay	chevyland	to do what he claims to have	a car faster than his	i'm making a suppository, analytical theme.
Mitch Garriott	Bean Mitchy-witchy	working with felix on the plant	pga	a bad slice	gaaaa, that was a hairy one!
John Haggard	DJ John	'kda-fm 11 'till 3	to be on the air from 6 'till 12	being like super shan	here's a righteous, heavy group!
Mack Harrel	Frak Iceman	locked in the closet	to be a good-looking savage	frhs cheer-leaders in cars	the sun did it, honest.
Tommy Harris	Big tom	at the training table	a 9.1 hundred	army physicals	need your leg sonicated, bill?
Bill Hickerson	Hick Hack	buttering up teachers	lead the naacp	scuffs on his white shoes	walk a mile for the life of a child.
David Isenhour	Dave the rave Ike	with the bounds gang	47% fewer cavities	being snaked by tim	bea's all in the family.
Bill Jewell	Wild Bill	backstage working the lights	to find out where the jam is	mba cast parties	hey, yall jamming at mac's today?
Philip Jones	PJ, CB War Chief	buying tux club pomade	be like captain queeg	coach bennet's wrath	collins, your puns are an integral part of this calculus course.
Rodney Kochtitzky	Hot Rod Kapiotski	at jul, checking out all the critiques	to dunk fec at eye carnival	blowing his cover	you have the right to make one phone call. . .
Brant Lipscomb	Pinky, Lippy Doughnut Neck	on frank andrews field	to drive a black olds 88, and follow in his father's tradition	being called on by mrs. l	kill a commie for the fca!
Ben Mabry	Bennie the Bullet	hiding from fat honey	to come to class on time	no excuse to turn her down	oh no harold, not another r.d.
Dave Mack	Truck, Slip	raising cain with mark and walter	to revive the bowery boys	ronald mcdonald	keep on truckin'
Dan Mann	Honkey Bear	away from home	to write a 400 page theme	"gimme 12 reasons. . ."	she told me not to be creative, ★!—!



# What they never told their moms!

Name	Nick Name	Where Found	Ambition	Latent Fear	Heard Saying
Walter Marianelli	Malarianelli Wop	jim dandy #7	to be chief of the pony patrol	jerry catching him in the back room	don't read it if you're not gonna buy it.
Teddy McCarley	T.T., Trimmier	in private	to grow decent sideburns	to make someone feel good	well, anyway, her legs were too skinny.
Jimbo McKee	Smackie	at the stable	to beat grover in cards	pollsters at u. va.	no, orand. don't shoot.
Tad McWhirter	Squirt	tutoring gracey for her college boards	to get a license for his deadly weapon	being serious at a student council meeting	hey! that room is reserved.
Bill Moore	Obie, Harold	with wag and wells	to have straight hair	being picked on by donna	mrs. l. says i'm in critical condition.
Charlie Morrison	Mirrio, Chas. Mario	cruising around with the top down	to be a real man like rogers	the big one	i just spit on it.
Bob Murphy	Bobbo, Bobaloo	in the suburban news	to be a comfortable cowboy	a full moon	bout a quart low, cowboy.
Tom Neff	Little Stevie	driving around with chrissie	to win the tony award	mister scratch	hey, you're guys . . .
Gep Nelson	Gillespie, the hangin' judge	running naked	to shout down larry schull	bajo's revenge	well, uh . . .
Jim Norton	Diamond Jim Gentleman Jim	over towards the 'cliff	to get it on at beersheba	broken glasses	zelle, you wait here whil'st i call the po-leece.
David Page	Mister Page	everywhere	to be a mean joe green	chris mcclure	i ate 4 pounds of barbecue, 3 quarts of ice cream, 2 cakes, 4 dogs and a cat.
Tom Parrish	Luke McCain	home on the range	to raise a herd of herefords—arcoil in the nose breed for ever' need		the west wasn't won with a registered gun.
Bill Peerman	B.P. Beerman	over at longman's	to own every pair of pants in nashville	barker	who was that masked man? I wanted to thank him.
Ed Pirtle	Fast Eddy	belle meade police station	to graduate before 25	realizing that he's not good looking	bring me a case and we can both sit outside her keyhole.
Frank Purdy	Rob Roy	picketing at pancake pantry	to be a hippie	having to go to vandy	meet me at the parthenon, gaucho.
Jim Regan	Grover	at the blackjack table	to be a riverboat gambler	5 yards in one day	hey mom. hey dad. meet my date celeste. goodbye.
Sam Rutherford	Rug Rutherford	in the model a	getting out of the draft because of his knee	the annual	that's my daughter
Craig Sargent	Sarge	in front of the mirror	really long hair	teeny boppers	oh wow. what a rush.
John Sawyer	Little Johnny	in the vine street parking lot waiting for cheryl	to kiss	defenestration	did you hear the one about the traveling salesman? mr. riggins?
Larry Schull	Skull, IBM 1168	playing chess with jamie	none	the valedictory	you know, i'm really a ruddy fire-eater.
Mark Shepard	Nikita, Leopard	in the a.v. room	to dance under the strobe	a short in his minizapper	hey cowboy, do you wanna buy a strobe light, cheap?
Brock Stevenson	Brockelye Mode mouth	with mrs. webb at grover's corners	to beat stifler in a cross country meet	mrs. ridgeway seeing his impersonation	the wall is roland.
Jamie Stifler	Shylock Skull-Splitter	running through the storm-sewers	to master fate with astrology	cancer in his 5th house	mr. fairbairn, that couldn't be right.
Bill Summers	Buffalo Chip Buff	wandering around the football field	to buy f.c.a.	leaving dianne (we think)	if you do that, lightning will strike you.
Wade Sutton	Mutton	struttin'	nothin'	coming unbutton(ed)	what'in . . . ?
Robert Thomison	Bobby, R.T.	in a fight at h.h.s.	to room with wade at u.n.c.	two blackeyes (again)	sure does (pummell; buffet)
Larry Trabue	Leroy Travis	shotgun in the cab	a changed voice	a busted transmission	hunter, i wonder who reserved the bathroom for us?
Paul Vix	Mr. Grand Prix	holiday inn 405	to make a killing off the senior class	a torpedo from chicago	it'll cost you.
Allan Wright	Right!	in the basement	to be like frist in english and french	the greaseball method being found out	when she's on your back, you don't have a prayer.
Kyle Young	Mr. B. Ball	at the hairdresser	to revive the kenyon review	bouncing johnny b.	if you were one of the beautiful people, i'd tell you.
Tee Zerfos*	Zerf, Zee	a foot above the ground in a green gaseous cloud	to bake jelly rolls	policewoman	sho' good eatin'

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# Seniors Dying to Leave: Last Will and Testament

I, Bill Ambrose, leave unnoticed.  
I, William Frank Anderson, leave just in time.

I, Doug Anderson, leave Pipi, Margie, and Ely to Tate and Frank.

I, Hunter Armistead, leave my curly hair to Felix Brown.

I, Chris Berry, leave all the rules behind.

I, Sonny Bodo, leave my silent muffler to Joe Fall.

I, Charlie Bond, leave whatever credit I received for Calculus to Jon Foley.

I, Bill Bounds, leave my many contributions made through the Big Red Club to the school.

I, Rick Bramham, leave my Ephemeris to MBA.

I, Steve Brown, leave to further my education at Glencliff.

I, Alex Buchanan, leave Mr. DeMoss to the Viet Cong.

I, Dan Buttrey, leave my worn out balls to the tennis team.

I, Walter Campbell, leave my footsteps trailing behind me to anyone who can find them.

I, John Cheadle, leave the "Virginia Gentleman" haircut forever.

I, Dick Collins, leave my Congressional thinking source to next year's debaters.

I, West Crafton, leave Mrs. Mize to Jim Coode and John Pickens.

I, Harold Crump, leave Fat

Honey to Marc McNamee and Jim Overton for their own last-minute pleasure.

I, Jon Foley, will leave washing my nose.

I, Jim Friedman, leave the butterfly to continue to hover over the field and the dew drops to glitter over the grass when the pyramids of Egypt are levelled and the skyscrapers of New York are no more.

I, Cayce Fuqua, leave some scissors and a jar of "Butch Wax" to the "Carter Haircut Fund."

I, Mitchell Garriott, leave my never ending and profound English vocabulary to W.S. and next year's 3rd period Study Hall successor.

I, John Haggard, leave my VW bus to Mrs. Lowry for carrying the Senior Achievement.

I, Richard M. Harrell, bequeath to MBA a lot of unanswered questions and unquestioned answers.

I, Tom Harris, leave Mrs. Hollins to Hal Justice.

I, Bill Hickerson, leave my dastardly basketball techniques to Whit Holcomb.

I, David Isenhour, leave my sweet young thing, Bea.

I, Bill Jewell, leave the Jewell tradition at MBA to Roger.

I, Phillip Jones, leave my four years of baseball managing

experience to Tommy Cummings because he needs it.

I, Rodney Kochitzky, leave my civic responsibility to Harry Steck.

I, Brant Lipscomb, leave my batting machine and everything else to no one because I will use it all next year.

I, Benny "the Bullet" Mabry, leave my last theme in Mrs. Lowry's box.

I, Dave Mack, leave my secrets of "How to get girls in a pick-up truck" to Trigg McClellan.

I, Walter Marianelli, leave Mr. Riggins one box of lettuce shavings.

I, Daniel Hannibal Mann, leave to MBA the Roman Empire, Jesus Christ, Geo. Busby, the existence of Montana, and the guarantee that you can't understand.

I, Ted McCarley, leave my bushy sideburns to Chase Cole.

I, Jimbo McKee, leave in search of my good friend in Virginia.

I, Tad McWhirter, leave my deadly weapon to anyone man enough to carry it.

I, Bill Moore, leave Ricky Belote, at his doorstep.

I, Charlie Morrison, leave an empty barber's chair for the '71-'72 little Virginia gentle-

men.

I, Bob Murphy, leave the Z-Z Chumblies Gold Dipstick for checking oil to Jerry Brannon and the school.

I, Tom Neff, leave my friends to the woodwork.

On my honor as a gentleman, I leave.

I, Jim Norton, leave my glasses to Dr. Sager.

I, David Page, leave footprints everywhere I walk.

I, Tommy Parrish, leave my uncanny ability to shoot the bull to Ed Stevens.

I, Bill Peerman, leave to do some exploring in those rolling hills and valleys of Virginia—heh, heh.

I, Ed Pirtle should have left last year.

I, Frank Purdy, leave the responsibility for organizing next year's Pancake Pantry march to Soapy Freeman.

I, Grover Regan, leave with my deck of cards and everything that is not bolted down to the school.

I, Sam Rutherford, leave my pink card to Mac Davis.

I, Craig Sargent, leave my mug of milk to Clay Jackson.

I, John Sawyer, leave MBA for post-graduate work at Vanderbilt.

I, Larry Schull, leave MBA in order to take on a job as an IBM computer.

I, Mark Shepard, leave my little blue Italian sports car to John Swartzbaugh.

I, Brock Stevenson, leave my goodness, chastity and purity on the hill. I also leave my fabulous body to Mr. Carter and the athletic department.

I, Jamie Stifler, leave to "sizzling sophomore" Al Marsh a pair of track shoes, whose 50,000 mile guarantee has expired.

I, Bill Summers, do leave my ability to get a Faulk each weekend.

I, Wade Sutton, leave much to be desired.

I, Robert Thomson, leave MBA with one less Bob Thomson.

I, Larry Trabue, leave my powerful arms to Damon Regan.

I, Paul Vix, leave my warm personality to Hal Justice knowing that he can use it.

I, Alan Jackson, Wright, do hereby "make like a tree and leave."

I, Kyle Young, leave an alarm clock to Bob Latimer to use before Mr. Bennett's Christmas practices.

I, Tee Zerfos, leave my memories of Aunt Libby to Tom Curtis.

## FOR THE RECORD

See the man as it crashes down on his head and shoulders  
He is going to need a skilled surgeon and fast  
If he is ever to walk again without a noticeable limp  
The burning that leaped on him still flaming  
And him, trapped beneath the smoking bricks for so long  
It's a wonder they were able to pull him out

He said he liked the lights of the alley  
He said he felt like taking a stroll  
He asked his girl to go with him, but she refused  
And very unbiting, he walked out as he had so many times  
Only this was the last; he never saw the danger

Deep down inside, I feel I must have tunnel vision  
How else could any one be so single-minded?  
I only need some one to protect my flanks

We got the whole thing on film, it should really sell  
Who would have believed they would ever pay to see him die?  
Listen, he never even saw what hit him  
He just went out like a match  
We don't have to tell them he lived through it  
After a performance like that  
Have you seen his face?

I've been hit by a brick  
By millions of flaming bricks and the hot cement  
They leaped on me but I never screamed  
I was much too busy praying, in the key of G  
Oh my face is burning and my eyes are flaming  
Tunnel down to the cool  
Deep down to the escape hatch oh please  
Dig deep six to get out from under it all  
Or keep still and sing . . .  
Who would have believed they'd have it all on film?

Wade Sutton

## Junior to Attend Vandy

On April 27 Hank Brooks, a junior, was accepted to Vanderbilt University for next fall. He is the first MBA junior in ten years to skip his senior year before attending a major university.

Hank submitted his application on April 20, a few weeks after receiving scores of 740 on both his math and English aptitude tests (SAT). His acceptance for admission is very rare since he has only 14 academic credits, lacking both senior English and American History.

A student at MBA since eighth grade, Hank won the 8th grade math medal and 10th place in the state French II contest. He has

also been very active in the dramatics club, recently starring as the Devil in "The Devil and Daniel Webster."

Off-campus Hank is a semi-professional magician and a leader in Jewish Youth groups such as the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization and the Israeli Dance Performing Troupe.

He wants to attend Vanderbilt in order to shorten the ten years of training necessary to become a rabbi. Rabbi Randall M. Falk and many theological students have recommended eliminating any years possible since the final years before ordination can be discouraging.

## HOW DO YOU SPELL JUSTIFY?

No redeeming smile  
To set it right.  
No redeeming style  
That just might  
Justify or rectify the lies.

I lost my mind  
In a prison camp  
Trying to recall the Secretary  
Of War's name  
I seem to remember his face  
And that he was lame  
That he often rabble-roused  
That all his reasons  
Were the same:  
By god, they started it.

The war was lost  
For lack of a dirty name  
For the enemy, (you see,  
They weren't such bad guys  
After all!) Besides,  
Monopoly is a better game  
Bill Anderson

## F.E.C. Dunking

MBA students were overjoyed when Rodney Kochitzky announced in assembly one morning that Mr. Carter had agreed to be dunked in the dunking machine at a carnival. The occasion was the Nashville District Episcopal Young Churchmen's Carnival held May 9, 1971 at St. George's Episcopal Church.

Mr. Carter, a member of St. George's, showed that he is a good sport in enduring the dunking for half an hour. MBA students enjoyed contributing to the underprivileged children's camp sponsored by the Churchmen, not to mention the estasy of observing the displacement of 230 pounds of water.

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## SUMMER VACATION

summer vacation can't wait  
summer vacation too late  
summer vacation where you going this year?  
yea last summer in the station wagon  
we went and saw

Carlsbad Cavern with our grandma  
oh ya ya ya ya  
grandma  
two weeks later mommy breaks down with rabies  
OH BOY OH BOY Gee Whiz Dad  
can't we stop I got to see  
can't we stop I want to see the Headless Baby  
Gee Whiz Dad  
on the station wagon floor yea  
oh no no no  
on the station wagon floor  
seen Grand Cayon and the Empire State  
we went to Yellowstone on the interstate  
he was bit by a bear dad  
it was so sad dad  
he was bit by a bear and they tore him to bits yea yea  
ghost towns, Indians and Mount Rainier  
can I eat some snow mom?

no no no no  
Gee Whiz Dad on the station wagon floor yea  
tell me fellow have you seen Rock City? yet yet yet  
we can be on a TV show  
can we go to the pictures?  
can I touch an Indian?

oh no no no  
I want to see the Caledonia Catfish  
and they tore him to bits  
neatoneatoneato slick mom  
see the american mom  
om om om  
on the station wagon floor  
oh oh  
it stinks

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# FOCUS ON SPORTS

The 1970-71 sports season at Montgomery Bell Academy may be remembered as the year when Coach Tommy Owen left the Hill—and Armistead, Fisher, Latimer, Leonard and Rich remained. It seemed the end of an era when Coach Owen completed 18 years of service to MBA athletics, and perhaps the beginning of another one as new athletic director John Bennet looked optimistically toward the future with a fine array of underclass talent.

Coach Owen left MBA in January to become an assistant with the Vanderbilt Commodores; Coach John Bennet, already head basketball coach, assumed duties as athletic director, and Ray

Ridgway stepped up from assistant to head football coach. But before their old coach departed, his charges gave him an unexpected going-away present.

Rebounding from a disastrous 2-8 season, the 1970 Big Red football team posted a record of 10-0-1 to finish second in the post-season state polls. Senior leadership combined with junior firepower to propel MBA to ten straight victories after a first-game tie with Hillwood. The wins included a 21-0 drubbing of Brownsville (at that time number one in Tennessee) and a 26-3 Clinch Bowl triumph over Two Rivers.

Senior standouts included wing-

back Tad McWhirter, split end Bill Peerman, linebacker-fullback Bill Summers, defensive end Jim Regan, and guard Brant Lipscomb. Lipscomb was named All-Metro, as were tackle Frank Floyd and quarterback Fred Fisher.

Fisher spearheaded an offense which scored 303 points in eleven games. The junior quarterbacking whiz rushed 108 times for 612 yards and nine touchdowns and completed 69 of 144 passes for 1322 yards and 15 touchdowns. His total offense of 1934 yards and 24 touchdowns ranked among the best in the state. Junior Bob Latimer, whose total offense was 1086 yards and seven

touchdowns (511 rushing), was also impressive.

The Big Red defense, led by Summers, Regan, Floyd and junior linebacker Damon Regen, complemented the offense by limiting opponents to only 37 points.

The winter season was highlighted by the success of the MBA basketball team, and again juniors were instrumental in the team's progress. The charges of Coach John Bennett finished with an overall record of 17-10. In the regular season, they were 10-4, good enough for third place in their district. In tournament play, they were second in the district; and they advanced to the semifinals of the regional tournament

—the farthest an MBA team has gone since 1951—before losing to eventual state champion Cameron.

Important victories for the Big Red included those over arch-rivals Hillsboro (only their second defeat of the season) and Pearl (the first over the Tigers in MBA's history).

Big gun for the Red hoopers was Fred Fisher, with an average of 14.4 points per game. Senior captain Kyle Young (11.8) provided steady floor leadership throughout the season, and Mike Regan (11.3) and Steve Armistead (11.5) chipped in on the offense. Regan gathered in an impressive 9.3 rebounds per game.

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## Brant Honored

During half-time of the annual Black-and-Gold game played last month at Dudley Stadium, Brant Lipscomb received the 1971 football Scholar-Athlete award. Each year the National Football Hall of Fame Foundation presents the award to the most outstanding candidate from each division of the NIL.

Lipscomb played varsity football for two years. At guard and middle guard he was a mainstay in the Big Red's line this season. Weighing only 158 lbs., "Lippy" consistently outplayed his larger opponents. The Nashville Banner recognized Brant for his efforts by naming him to their All-NIL team.

In the classroom, Brant has also distinguished himself. Throughout his senior year he has remained on the privilege list while taking Advanced Placement courses in English and American History. He will continue his education next year at Vanderbilt.

Brant feels that the addition of Bobby Morel to the coaching staff made a big difference in the season's outcome: "Coach Morel showed the line that we could be a winner." Brant felt that "beating Brownsville" was his biggest thrill and that Springfield was his toughest game. "The unbeaten season," said Lipscomb, "made all the practices worth while, and I will always be able to look back on the year with pride."

By Bill Freeman

## MBA Tennis

The Big Red Tennis Team got off to a flying start this year with a 5-0 victory over Peabody. They continued their sweep through the NIL by swamping Overton (5-0), Hillsboro (4-0), Hillwood (5-0), and Two Rivers (5-0). These victories gave MBA an undisputed first place in the Third District of NIL Tennis.

Although the Tennis Team suffered setbacks at the hands of Memphis University School and the Baylor School of Chattanooga, they came back to defeat BGA twice (6-2-1; 5-4) and David Lipscomb twice (6-3; 5-1) in what were some of the most exciting matches of the season.

At the top of the ladder for the Big Red are Dan Buttrey, a senior who made a great comeback after a late start, Rip Trammell, an outstanding junior, and Flag Flanagan, a strong sophomore. Playing number four position is Gep Nelson, followed by Palmer Jones and Alex Buchanan.

There are also several other players who contributed much to the team. Among these are Andy Byrd and Charlie Morrison, who comprise one of the doubles teams. MBA is very fortunate to have several promising young players. In the eighth grade are Gil Templeton, Joe Davis, and Johnny Howell. In the seventh grade Johnny Daniel holds the edge. With such an outstanding crop of younger players, MBA has a fine outlook for the future in Tennis.

## Jumpin Jimbo

This spring senior Jimbo McKee has developed into one of Nashville's top amateur jockeys.

On April 18, he placed fourth at the Oxtremes Races in Louisville, Kentucky. The next week Jimbo placed third at the Brentwood Derby on three-year-old Ed Fitts. The winner of that race was George Sloan, last year ranked the best American jockey. Again on Ed Fitts, Jimbo came in fifth in the Truxton Purse, run in conjunction with the Iroquois May 7.

## Baseball NIL Champs

This year's baseball team was blessed with some of the school's finest athletes. Under the direction of Coach Jamie Tillman, the team compiled a very impressive record of 14-5.

Going into the NIL play-offs, only two seniors, Brant Lipscomb and Bill Peerman, aided Coach Tillman in leading the club on the field. Certainly a host of superb junior baseballers made this job an easy one.

The team had many fine hitters. Ernie Leonard (.441), Bob Latimer (.394), and Bill Peerman (.384) led the slugging statistics. Other top hitters were Fred Fisher (.349) and Tate Rich (.339) and Brant Lipscomb (.309).

Brant Lipscomb and Fred Fisher provided the heart of one of the league's finest defensive teams. Many times Fred and Brant "turned the crowd on" with their amazing glove feats.

The most important aspect of high school baseball is pitching, and MBA had a great pitcher in Bob Latimer. Bob's record, 7-1, with an ERA of 1.30 was one of the best in Nashville. Damon Regen with an ERA of 2.38 was a great back-up pitcher for Bob.

The team played in the Western Division's second round which meant they would participate in the NIL Championship playoffs.

This was Coach Tillman's first year as head coach for the Big Red baseball team. As a member of the team, I feel qualified to say that he was a "super" coach and man. He combined a great knowledge of baseball with a close relationship with the team members in order to accomplish his responsibility as head coach.

Any success the team had was due to Coach Tillman's desire to keep the team close together. Again as a member of the team, let me thank Coach Tillman and dedicate this season, hopefully pleasurable, to his memory.

By Bill Peerman



## MICROBE REVIEW

The Microbes represented MBA well in the Harpeth Valley Athletic Conference this year.

The football team tied for first place in the conference. The Microbes had an offense which was able to roll up points and a defense which allowed only twenty points all season—and those in the first half of the first game. The defense was built around a front four that averaged 160 pounds.

For the first time, MBA had a Microbe wrestling team. Few people knew how to wrestle, and assembling a good team was quite difficult.

Dennis Spain and Bill Scanlan won their divisions in the HVAC tournament. Eighth grader DeWitt McLaurine wrestled on the freshman squad. The Microbe grapplers finished third in the conference.

The basketball team, despite the absence of several key players due to illness, played well in the HVAC tournament, and finished third overall in the conference.

Standouts on the basketball team were Bob Peerman, Johnny Parker, and Hugh Enteklin.

MBA also had a fine baseball season. The team finished with one loss, tying Franklin for second place.

In the playoff for second place, MBA defeated Franklin 19-2. An outstanding game was turned in by Brad Turney and Bob Peerman.

The pitching corps was built around hard throwing Robert Harris, with a record of 3-0.

Gil Templeton, Johnny Howell and Joe Davis played well for the varsity tennis team. They started at the bottom of the ladder, but with dedication and practice, they improved tremendously, and all three boys earned letters.

The track team finished second in its first meet, but rebounded to defeat Lipscomb in the second meet. Clay Whitson in the 440 and Brion Friedman in the mile ran well for MBA.

## Riflemen Hit Mark

The members of the rifle team represented MBA well in the tough Youth Incorporated Rifle League. Five matches were held this season, one in each position and the season-ending four position match.

In the prone position match, MBA established itself as a contender when the team of Ed Stevens, Tom Parrish, Dick Koonce, Bill Van Cleave, and Spence Sutton placed first, with Stevens winning a medal for the high individual score. The second match was shot in the sitting position, with the team of Stevens, Parrish, Koonce, Tom Cummings and Robert Thomison again placing first, paced by Stevens high individual mark. The Overton team, thirsting for revenge after two stinging defeats, roared by the field in the kneeling match, and the Big Red had to settle for second, despite

Steven's high individual score. Not even Captain Stevens could shoot well in the standing match, as Overton won the team and high individual score.

The season ended dramatically with the four-position match, a shoot out in which MBA and Overton were the two contenders. The drama unfolded when an Overton student, supposedly shooting standing, was found to be sitting on a table while firing. After much consultation with the rule books, the referee allowed him to shoot a second time, and Overton walked away with the gold medals.

Prospects look good for next year, with Stevens, Koonce, Cummings, Van Cleave, Sutton, Frost, Turner, and Branstetter returning, although seniors Parrish, Thomison, Morrison, Sargent and Purdy will be missed.

## GOLF NEWS

The team, composed of eight golfers, is led by Captain Mitch Garriott. In three early matches, Garriott posted two one under par 35's and a two under par 34.

Other members of the team are sophomores Webb Earthman, David Matthews, David McAlister, and juniors Tom Gilmeister, Whit Holcomb, Robert Miller, and Ed Stevens. Matthews, McAlister, Holcomb and Stevens are lettermen. The team is coached by Donald Fairbairn.

Junior Chuck Lawrence, one of the top players on last year's squad, has been ruled ineligible for one year by the TSSAA.

Lawrence played in a club championship during MBA's regular season.

On April 27, MBA bested Hillsboro in a crucial match 4-3. Garriott and Earthman recorded victories for MBA. A week later, the golfers swapped. Overton 6½-1½. David McAlister was medalist with a 39.

With the completion of regular season play, MBA will defend its regional championship at McCabe Field. The regional winner advances to the TSSAA High School Tournament at Harpeth Hills June 2-3.





**FOCUS ON SPORTS:**  
 Panning from top, clockwise, the MBA athletes pictured above are Fred Fisher, football; Kyle Young, basketball; Bill Knox, wrestling; Tom Parrish, riflery; Jamie Stifler, track; Dan Buttrey, tennis; Mitch Garriott, golf; Brant Lipscomb, baseball.

## SPORTS

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game. Ten of twelve lettermen, including starters Armistead, Fisher, Regan and Latimer, return to fill out next year's squad.

The MBA wrestling team, in Coach John Riggins' last year at the helm, contributed to the winter honors. The Big Red grapplers captured second in the NIL Western division and second in the district tournament. First place awards in the district tournament went to seniors Bill Anderson and Alan Wright and junior Bill Knox. Captain Knox was, in addition, first in the Ryan

Invitational and second in the region. He was named All-NIL and won MBA's Most Valuable Wrestler award.

And during the winter months, the MBA rifle team posted its finest season ever. A host of individual and team medals were won, with seniors Tom Parish and Robert Thomison and junior Ed Stevens leading the pack.

The Big Red rolled into spring, continuing its string of victories and records. The track squad was sparked by the magnificent solo performances of senior miler

Jamie Stifler, who had earlier in the year distinguished himself on the cross-country squad. Stifler, recipient of the Coach's Award as outstanding trackman, won the Green Hills Relays, finished second in the district tournament, and placed third in the Banner Relays. His efforts in the mile run set a new record for the Green Hills Relays and a new school record of 4:33.0.

The tennis squad, led by senior captain Dan Buttrey and junior Rip Trammell, bested all local competition to go undefeated in regular season NIL play. Trammell, who played in the number two position behind Buttrey, was undefeated against all area opponents.

The MBA golf team stood atop

the NIL heap throughout the season. With the exception of senior captain Mitch Garriott, the entire golf team returns next year, including number one player Whit Holcomb.

James Tillman took over the reigns of the Big Red baseball team as new head coach and led his boys to a 15-5 regular season slate, good enough for fourth in the NIL western division and a berth in the playoffs. As in the other two "major" sports, action was dominated by the juniors, with slugger Bill Peerman and scrappy defensive ace Brant Lipscomb the only graduating starters.

Ernie Leonard, back for his fourth season, won the MBA "triple crown," with three home

runs, 26 runs-batted-in, and a .445 batting average. Supporting him were Bob Latimer (19 RBI's; .397), Peerman (19 RBI's; .384), and Fred Fisher (15 RBI's; .373).

Tillman's mound staff will return intact next year. Turning in outstanding pitching performances for this year's effort were Latimer, who won seven against only one loss, Armistead (2-1) and rookie Robert Ramsey (2-0). In the coming year, the Big Red will surely miss the likes of Peerman and Lipscomb. But there are many waiting in the wings to fill their roles—among them four three-sport lettermen: Fisher, Latimer, Leonard, and Tate Rich. 1970-71 will be a hard act to follow, but nobody's taking bets against next year's seniors.